GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3696
ANSWERED ON:08.08.2002
GAUGE CONVERSION IN RAJASTHAN
JASWANT SINGH BISHNOI

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of gauge conversion projects in Rajasthan which have been taken up in the Rail Budget during thelast three years, project-wise;

(b) the details of the projects on which the work has been started, project-wise;

(c) the projects on which the work has not been started so far alongwith the reasons therefor, project-wise; and

(d) the target date fixed for completion of these projects?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA)

(a)to (d) : A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (b) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3696 BY SHRI JASWANT SINGH BISHNOI TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.08.2002 REGARDING GAUGE CONVERSION IN RAJASTHAN.

(b) to (d) : The details of ongoing gauge conversion works and the works which were included in the Railway Budget but not taken up are given as under:

S.No	Project	Year of inclusion in the Budget	Kms.	Remarks
1.	Pipar Road-Bilara	1993-94	41	The work from Phulera-Jodhpur has been completed and commissioned. The section from Pipar Road to Bilara has been sanctioned as a Material modification of Phulera-Jodhpur. Due to low operational priority and very light traffic on Pipar Road-Bilara section, work will be progressed as per availability of resources.
2.	Sriganganagar-Sarupsar	1997-98	116	Work will be taken up after obtaining the requisite clearances action for which has been taken up.
3.	Luni-Barmer-Munabao	1997-98	297	The entire section has been planned to be opened in phases. Luni-Samdari and Samdari-Jasai section (200 Kms.) are targeted for completion during 2002-03. Jasai-Munabao section is targeted for completion during 2003-04.
3.	Bhildi-Samdari	1990-91	223	This work was sanctioned in 1990-91 as a part of Kandla-Bhatinda rail link. The work have been recently frozen. Preliminary arrangements are being made to take up the work.